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FDA Commissioner Jane Henney  
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Room 1061 (HFA-305)  
Rockville, MD 20852

Re: Docket No. 00P-1211/CP1

Dear Commissioner Henney:

I am infuriated at what your organization is letting happen in this country regarding genetically engineered foods. Far too many American citizens know what a "cozy" relationship the FDA has with the major biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries. This total disregard of what is ethical, moral or what the American people want is just simply wrong!

**We have an absolute right to know what is in the food we are purchasing as well as how it was produced!** Why have American citizens become guinea pigs for these types of foods?

- Are there long term studies on the safety of these foods? NO
- Are there any long term studies on the environmental impact? NO
- Does anyone really know the potential risk for truly sustainable agriculture? NO
- What is the potential risk of these new genetic structures resulting in new allergens? Does anyone really know? NO

There is also the possibility for a major health or environmental disaster due to the creation of novel organisms and crossbreeding of unrelated species of plants or animals.

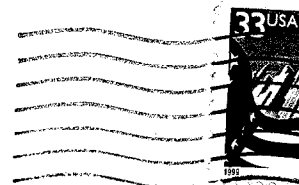
Companies like Monsanto, Novartis, etc. are rushing to get these foods into commerce all over the world not to help feed the poor but to feed their corporate bottom line.

**PLEASE SEE THAT GENTICALLY ENGINEERED FOODS AND FOODS CONTAINING THEM ARE LABELED!**

Thank you.

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